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Sessions of said Court will be held at  
Brighton the second Tuesday of October and  
April, Canaan the second Tuesday of No-  
vember and May, West Concord the second  
Tuesday of December and June, Lunenburg  
the second Tuesday of January and July.  
Special sessions will be held at any place in  
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ROBERT CHASE, Judge.

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## WORK OF WHEELMEN

WHAT THEY ARE DOING TO SECURE BETTER ROADS.

Preparing For a Hot Campaign in State and National Legislatures. Our Highways a Disgrace to Our Intelligence.

Preparatory to its work in congress and the state legislatures for appropriations for highway improvement, the League of American Wheelmen has been interviewing the candidates for the offices in which they are most interested. The replies received show that the good roads movement is rapidly making itself felt among the legislators, for most of them show a comprehensive knowledge of the subject and do not hesitate to say that they are in favor of such appropriations. Allowances are made for the fact that these are pre-election promises, but the league has been very successful in the past in persuading legislators that such promises must be kept when they are duly installed in office.

In line with this work the league has sent out a circular letter stating

**A SANDY ROAD.**

briefly the claims for the good roads movement and asking for the individual views of each recipient. The circular follows:

"Bad roads cost agriculturists and teamsters upward of \$500,000,000 per year. This condition must exist until aid is given by national and state officials. Bad roads and lack of road

building knowledge cost New York state \$3,000,000 annually in keeping even passable its highway system.

"The average cost of hauling produce in Europe is 7 cents per ton for each mile of transportation. The average in the United States, as computed by the office of road inquiry, is 25 cents. The entire people pay the difference.

"Good roads are not only an economic necessity, but are essential to educational and social advancement in the rural districts.

"States that have made appropriations for highway improvement have been compelled by the farmer to increase the appropriations annually because he knows the value of road improvement. Massachusetts and New Jersey have expended millions for the purpose, and this expenditure meets hearty approval from all classes.

"The roads of the United States are a century behind those of any country in Europe having a similar standing among the nations. They are a disgrace to our intelligence.

"The League of American Wheelmen on behalf of the 8,000,000 wheelmen and wheelwomen of the country asks that the roads be improved upon a basis adequate to the demand for them. The farmers' national congress, representing the agriculturists, has forcefully indorsed the movement. Automobiles are waiting in further support.

"Good roads reduce first costs, increase profit to producers and reduce cost to consumers.

"Highways are feeders for railroads. All grain and produce must first be hauled over highways before shipment can be made to domestic and foreign markets.

"The political party inserting a strong good roads plank in its platform will make votes in every class, increasing as it will educational and social facilities, those in search of recreation—in fact, all users of highways.

"Congress started a national road system in the early part of the century, but discontinued it upon the advent of the railroads. It should take them up again now that the railroads, the second highway of transportation, practically cover the entire country for interstate and international purposes. The primary road should be made in keeping.

"We appreciate your courtesy in giving us a hearing."

The officials of the league from past experience know the work before them and are undertaking it with confidence. They fully expect an appropriation from congress and predict that if the national government again assumes the work of highway improvement it will not be long until the United States can compare its roads favorably with any country of Europe.

GEORGE L. MCCARTHY.

### First State Aid For Roads.

New Jersey passed the original state aid law in 1881. The salient features of this state aid law are that the abutting property owners along the improved roadway pay 10 per cent of the cost, the state 33 1/3 per cent and the county the remainder of the cost and the maintenance of the road.

The first money ever paid in the United States under a state aid law was to the county of Middlesex in December, 1892, and the amount was \$30,000.

### CARTAGE OF PRODUCE.

Cost More Last Year Than Its Shipment by Rail.

William H. Moore, president of the National Good Roads association, in a recent interview on the outlook for good roads said:

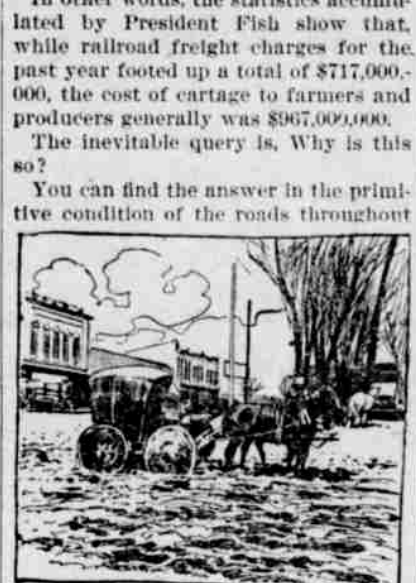
All the leading railroad men of the country and the best citizens of every state indorse our plans.

Stuyvesant Fish, president of the Illinois Central, is co-operating with us to win the active assistance of all the big railroads.

You would hardly credit the statement, but it is a fact, that the cartage of produce and merchandise last year cost \$250,000,000 more than their shipment by rail.

In other words, the statistics accumulated by President Fish show that, while railroad freight charges for the past year footed up a total of \$717,000,000, the cost of cartage to farmers and producers generally was \$967,000,000. The inevitable query is, Why is this so?

You can find the answer in the primitive condition of the roads throughout



**PUBLIC SQUARE IN AN INDIANA TOWN.**  
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many of the greatest producing states. It consumes valuable time and costs up money to cart produce long distances over these improperly constructed highways, which heavy rains render well nigh impassable.

The railroads are so deeply interested in our scheme of improvement because as conditions now stand millions of dollars' worth of produce is being left in the fields to rot.

Our plan may be told in few words. If we get the appropriation of \$150,000, we shall at once construct in every state a mile of sample road.

This sample will show three distinct kinds of road—dirt, gravel and macadam. In some of the states we will break this sample mile into quarters, constructing each in a separate section. In other states we will build the mile as near to the capital as possible. Then, with these sample roads on view, we will employ skilled constructors to talk to the farmers. We will educate every community in every state to build and drain its roads in the most scientific manner.

In every county of the United States, and there are 3,700 of them, the National Good Roads association will establish a bureau of information. These bureaus will in turn be represented by individuals in each of the 63,000 townships of the country.

It takes no prophet to foretell the result. Within a year the improvements will be seen and felt through every one of the great farming states.

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### French Bakers.

Bakers in France are subject to restrictions and regulations undreamed of in England. In the fortified towns along the frontier they are bound by law to have a certain stock of flour always on hand in case of emergencies. The bakery not only has to be kept clean, but the baker has to deposit with the local authorities a certain sum of money as a surety for the proper conduct of his business.

The law also looks after his weights and measures, which circumstance places him in the same position as the British baker, but in addition the law regulates the price at which bread can be sold.

Napoleon III ordered on one occasion that a loaf about equal to our quarter should be sold for not more than sixpence, and this at a time when we were paying eightpence and ninepence.

—London Tit-Bits.

### KISSES.

With little kisses I shut your eyes;  
I would not have them seeing and wise,  
For, could I choose, I would have you be blind  
Ever, as now, when you look on me!

A wreath of kisses to crown your head,  
That the whole world's crown should adorn it—  
To keep your thought of me ever kind,  
As now, when your darling eyes are blind.

In each of your hands I shut a kiss,  
Do you feel how soft and little it is?  
So hold it gently that it may live,  
Lest your hands ask more than my hands can give.

A kiss for an earring in each dear ear,  
And now when I speak you can only hear  
The heart of my heart's heart laugh and cry,  
Not the foolish words it is stifled by.

A kiss on your mouth, and it bears no charm  
To bring you to good, to keep you from harm;  
It has no mission, yet let it be;  
The rest were for you, but this is for me!

—Pall Mall Gazette.

### UNCLE SAM'S SPOTTERS.

Especially the Man in Europe Who Looks Out For Smugglers.

"Uncle Sam's large and well organized secret service," says S. H. Adams in Ainslee's, "is made up mostly of men who come properly under the head of detectives with police powers, but it has its class of bona fide spotters, whose entire duty it is to ingratiate themselves with persons suspected of having designs to evade the custom house duties and to warn the baggage inspectors at this end of the impending swindle.

"In cleverness, address and adaptability the secret service spotter is easily at the head of his profession and even ranks with the trained experts of the European diplomatic corps. It is essential that he should be a man of the world, for he must associate with all kinds of people on equal terms. He has no fixed abode, but lives in various European capitals when he is not on shipboard, where he is much of the time. He must never let himself be in the slightest degree suspected.

"There is always a number of these agents in Paris, because of the great American trade there. They live at the fashionable hotels and live the life apparently of flaneurs and boulevardiers. In all lines of trade that concern dutiable goods they are experts, and no large purchase by an American in Paris is unknown to them. Their circle of acquaintance is enormous, but nobody knows them for what they are. In one way or another they contrive to make the acquaintance of any person whom they suspect and unostentatiously but unrelentingly trail him.

"Many a time some man who has made a heavy purchase of diamonds or furs or so disposed them that he felt sure of being able to get them through the port undiscovered has been passed on the dock by a chance acquaintance of the voyage over who, unseen, presses a little note into the hand of the customs inspector. That note tells all that the wily smuggler would wish to keep secret, and his baggage is mercilessly ransacked until the hidden articles are brought to light. He has been followed over by the spotter. Men employed in this line get good pay—as high as \$10 a day—but it costs them much to live in the manner in which they must maintain themselves."

### "THE FRENCH SHORE."

Where Misery, Squalor, Hunger and Cold Rule in Newfoundland.

Misery, squalor and wretchedness, accentuated by an almost ceaseless struggle with hunger and cold, are the portion of the inhabitants of the "North Shore," in Newfoundland. Their little hamlets are perched in the rifts in the almost unbroken hills, and the fierce storms sweep the surface almost to their doorsteps, while for seven months of the year their coast is blockaded with ice and they are cut off from all communication with the outside world.

The only industry is codfishing, and cod is the sole medium of exchange. The people rarely see money, and barter is the system of trading, a quintal of cod being the unit of value. The needs of the fisher folk are only supplied by the itinerant trader, his schooner being laden with provisions, clothing and fishing appliances. Thus have these people lived for generations. They are ignorant, for the means of education are nonexistent, the children being content with what satisfied their fathers. The common objects of everyday life are unknown to them. They have neither horses nor cattle. Only a few of the older folk who have ventured south have any knowledge of these things.

There are no roads and therefore no vehicles. Travel is by boat during the summer and over the ice floes during the rest of the year. The few letters for the clergy and others who can read are conveyed to the settlements by dog teams during the winter, and, save for the fortuitous visit of the mailboat during the period of open navigation, a steamer is never seen by the residents.

With such marvels as electric telegraphs, telephones and electric light they are of course unfamiliar, and their standard of intelligence is best indicated by stating that it is not unusual to find a justice of the peace who cannot write his own name.—Chambers' Journal.

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Island Pond, Vt., March 29, 1901.

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